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Transmitted herewith for filing are the following documents:

- 1. Amendment and Response to Office Action Mailed December 3, 2002 (11 pgs.);
- 2. Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg., in duplicate);
- 3. Check # 15841; and
- 4. Return Postcard.

No additional fees are believed to be due in connection with this submission. However, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 00689-513. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted,

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